Appl. No. 10/501,270 Attorney Docket No.: Serie 5831

Reply to Office Action of January 23, 2008

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

In complete response to the Final Office Action dated January 23, 2008, on

the above identified application, reconsideration is respectfully requested. Claims

32-38 and 52 are pending in this application.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102:

Claims 22-25, 27-31 and 39-41, 43-44, 46-51 and 53 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Miller et al. '673. Applicant has

canceled these claims thereby rendering the rejection moot.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103:

Claim 42 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Miller et al. '673. Applicant canceled this claim thereby rendering the

rejection moot.

Accordingly, it is believed that the present application now stands in condition

for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner

believe a telephone call would expedite the prosecution of the application, he is

invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below. Applicant has

contemporaneously submitted a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time along

with the associated fee. Otherwise, it is believed that no fee is due at this time. If

that belief is incorrect, please debit deposit account number 01-1375. Also, the

Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment to deposit account number

01-1375.

Respectfully submitted,

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